



Nursing Facilities Advisory Council  
 Tuesday, January 22, 2014  
 3:15 PM – 4:45 PM  
 225 East 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room  
 Denver, CO 80203

ATTENDEES	AGENCY
Ann Kokish	CHCA
Arlene Mills	CHCA
Dick Gallagher	Myers & Stauffer
Donna Zwierzynski	Vivage
Jan Garramone	CPDHE - HFEMSD
Jennifer Reinheimer	Myers & Stauffer
John Brammeier	Vivage
Josh Font	Myers & Stauffer
Lonnie Hilzer	Vivage
Luis Heimes	
Melanie Roth-Lawson	Continuum Health Mgmt
Sarah Schumann	Brookside Inn
Shannon Gimbel	DRCOG-Ombudsman
Teri Blechar	Vivage
<b>PHONE</b>	CDPHE-HFEMSD
Lori Nelson	
Les Hendrickson	Phone Option Unavailable for this meeting
Mary Koretke	Five Star Quality Care
Nancy Borgstadt	Public Consulting Group
<b>STATE STAFF</b>	Colorado Foundation for Medical Care
Matt Haynes	Provider Fee
Casey-Dills-O'Donnell	LTSS Division
Hunter Coohill	LTSS Division
Beverly Hirsekorn	LTSS Division
Jason Takaki	HCPF/ Eligibility
Cathy Fielder	LTSS Auditor
Susan Love	LTSS Operations
Eric Stricca	HCPF, Eligibility
John Estes	LTSS Division
Kevin Dunlevy-Wilson	HCPF, ACC
Marceil Case	HCPF, ACC
Randie Wilson	HCPF, Rates
Rene Hickman	HCPF, CCT
Sandra Lopez	LTSS Auditor
Tammie Ruiz	LTSS PASRR
Kathy Snow	LTSS Policy Specialist

## **Action Items**

- Next meeting date will be on February 18, from 3:15-4:45, location TBD.

## **Update/Review of Previous Notes**

- HCPF received a “request for additional information” from CMS regarding the Emergency Procedure State Plan Amendment and will be responding to the request.
- Following the recent disasters and situation at Pikes Peak nursing facility, HCPF is committed to the importance of working with CDPHE during emergency evacuations and relocations due to CMS Medicare/Medicaid terminations.
- The facilities unit is working on developing the procedural pieces for the Hospital Backup Program.
- The facilities unit has been working closely with Vivage and the Housing Authority of Loveland on the “Aging in Place model,” in Mirasol County, which will allow facilities to work more closely with the community by providing a more integrated care model. Further, the model will be overseen by the Housing Authority and will be emphasize infrastructure and transportation design. Finally, this model will more or less blend HCBS and facilities.
  - Currently, the Facilities Unit is still awaiting feedback from CMS on the payment/reimbursement structure for “Aging in Place model.”
  - Public comment will be solicited moving forward.
- Public comment period for Regulatory Efficiency Review has ended. Final Report to the Governor’s office will be sent in March.

## **FRV Appraisals**

- The majority of appeals were related to effective age methodology and Randie Wilson noted that this is codified in statute.
- Moving forward, the NFAC will be involved in the selection of the appraisal company which was renewed merely to avoid unnecessary delays.
  - The issues was that the method was not done the right way initially, which is to call ahead and set up an appointment in order to do thorough appraisal.
- Appraisers used different methodologies for different appraisals and inconsistencies with loose land values, methodologies etc.
- Preliminary appraisals are non-binding.

## **2014 Cost of Living 5615**

- Need to recoup spent money and either the spreadsheet or the 5615 form can be used for the FY 2014 COLA.
- The current system does not allow back billing even though it is permissible in rule.
- Will include all Medicaid, Pending and Re-determined.